

following amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 1-4 and 6-9.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At Col. 2, line 53, delete "10" and insert --20--.

At Col. 2, lines 57-58, delete "Numeral 14 generally indicates the printer paper discharge chute".

At Col. 2, line 59, delete "behind the terminals access door".

At Col. 2, lines 61-62, delete "behind the terminals access door. Numeral 17 generally indicates the location of the access door".

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claim 5.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. A public on-line, pay-as-you-use communications terminal comprising [a housing, wherein the housing contains]:
- a central processing unit (CPU);
 - a telephone access node;
 - an internal modem coupled to the CPU and telephone access node;
 - a video display monitor coupled to the CPU;
 - a keyboard for providing user interface coupled to the CPU;
 - a credit card reader swipe device coupled to the CPU for accepting payment by a user for use of the terminal;
 - means for accessing commercial on-line services and allow for user interaction;

software installed into the CPU to allow interface with commercial on-line service providers and credit card service centers; and
a printer coupled to the CPU.

Please amend claim 2 as follows:

2. The terminal of claim 1, wherein the means for accessing includes a touch [screen interface attached to the monitor and further includes a touch screen means for accepting input information from the touch screen interface and modifying program execution accordingly] terminal which communicates and controls a microprocessor.

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

B1 3. The terminal in accordance with claim 1 also including[, within said housing,] program means for causing said printer to print a receipt or any other document available from a commercial on-line service.

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

4. The terminal of claim 1[, wherein the housing includes] further including a durable enclosure for the CPU, monitor, internal modem and printer[, and a secured access door for service and repair].

Please amend claim 6 as follows:

B2 6. A public on-line, pay-as-you-use communications terminal comprising [a housing,

wherein the housing contains]:

a central processing unit (CPU);

a telephone access node;

an internal modem coupled to the CPU and telephone access node;

a video display monitor coupled to the CPU;

a keyboard for providing user interface coupled to the CPU;

a credit card reader swipe device coupled to the CPU for accepting payment by a user for use of the terminal;

means for accessing the Internet and allow for user interaction;

software installed into the CPU to allow interface with the Internet and credit card service centers; and

a printer coupled to the CPU.

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[Please amend claim 7 as follows:]

SUBD 1 7. ~~The terminal of claim 6, wherein the means for accessing includes a touch [screen interface attached to the monitor and further includes a touch screen means for accepting input information from the touch screen interface and modifying program execution accordingly] terminal which communicates and controls a microprocessor.~~

Please amend claim 8 as follows:

8. The terminal in accordance with claim 6 also including[, within said housing.] program means for causing said printer to print a receipt or any other document available from a